

WOMAN BURNED IN A STORE

MRS. SYLVESTER J. O'SULLIVAN PER
ISSUES IN PLAISFIELD, N. J.

Her Dress Ignited, Nobody Knows How, and She Stood at the Counter of a Department Store—Her Frantic Struggle for Life in the Presence of a Horrified Crowd

O'Sullivan, wife of the Vice-President of the Maryland Casualty Company of New York, was burned at noon to-day in the department store of Crosby & Hill on Front street to such an ex-

Mrs. O'Sullivan and her husband had been living at the Hotel Hunterston, in Netherwood, for a month, and they intended to remain there during the summer.

She had been absent only a few minutes when the persons in the place were startled by piercing screams. Looking up they saw Mrs. O'Sullivan enveloped in flames, which she was frantically fighting as she leaped upward to ward her neck and face. None of those who first saw her had sufficient presence of mind to flee. As she fell, she caught in her arms a

of the store to the other, screaming and continuing her desperate efforts to beat out the flames. Her light organdie dress was burning like paper.

S. P. Carson, manager for the firm, was on the second floor of the building, and as soon as he heard the screams he rushed to the first floor. As soon as he could reach the woman he wrapped a tablecloth about her, and, with much difficulty, extinguished the flames. Mrs. O'Sullivan's clothing was entirely burned from her body. She was carried to another part of the store and Dr. J. B. Profumo was called. He had her removed to Mountbenger Hospital.

The cause of the tragedy is not known. Manager Carson advances two theories. One is that Mrs. O'Sullivan stepped on a match, the flame of which ignited her dress, and the other is that her dress, which was long, brushed over a lighted cigar stub. Miss O'Keefe, the

The only parts of Mrs. O'Sullivan's body that escaped the flames were one arm and her face. She was unconscious most of the time until she died. Early in the afternoon Mr. O'Sullivan came from New York in answer to a telegram, and he was with his wife till the end.

ITALIAN MURDERS A ROY.

Christopher Kiernan, 17 years old, was stabbed in the back in West Forty-eighth

street last night by an Italian workman. I was injured so badly that he died an hour later in Roosevelt Hospital. Kiernan was employed as a wagon boy by James Walsh, a fireman whose stable is at 532 West Fort eighth street. At 7:30 o'clock Kiernan was sitting in front of the stable talking to an Italian man who is known in the neighborhood

Contractor William Brady, next door, and without a word being spoken, rushed at the two men. A boy named Joseph O'Brien, who witnessed the stabbing, told the police that there was no provocation for the attack. F

said that the two Italians drew their knives and that their hatred seemed to be extended toward "Al" alone. As they rushed at the man Kierman ran in between them. There was a mix-up and then Kierman was seen to fall, while the two Italians ran down the street. A crowd of men and boys pursued them. One was caught by a fireman and the other was stopped by George Kammer, who knocked him down. Policeman Convey is handcuffs on the men and took them to the West Forty-seventh street station.

Sarcenito took twins, of 11th and street and first avenue. He did not seem to understand what was enough to get a good gang statement. Young O'Brien said that Sarcenito stabbed Kierman. The knife that Sarcenito was seen to throw away while trying to escape was recovered by the police. It was covered with blood.

Kierman was allowed to sit on the sidewalk until the two Italians had been captured. The two men were taken to the station in a horse car that was passing. He was taken to Roosevelt Hospital, where it was found that the knife had entered the back just below the shoulder blade and had penetrated the lung. The surgeons held out no hope.

DEAD MAN PROBABLY A. S. MUN

WAHING RIVER, I. I., July 1.—The body of stout man, about 45 years old, was picked up here this afternoon. There were bad wounds in the head. "A letter found in one of the man's pockets was addressed to "A. S. Munn, West Ninety-fourth street, New York city," was mailed on June 3 from Rochester.

boarding house at 74 West Ninety-fourth street. He worked up to Feb. 1 for a firm North Adams, Mass., and had an office in the city. He was well known in the dry goods trade. When he lost his place, on Feb. 1, he did not tell his wife. Three weeks ago he sent her to visit her brother, Mr. Alden, at

Munn told his friends here shortly after midnight to Fletcher that he had got a package with a Hall River firm. But his friends did not believe his story, as he seemed to be fully as dispendent as when he first lost his place. About two weeks ago he left his boarding house and told Miss Fletcher to hold his rooms for him as he intended to bring his wife back. After the first two or three days of his absence his friends began to worry about him. They have been quietly conducting a search for him, but

The desecration of Munn is as follows: Thirty-five years old, brown hair, brown mustache, and when last seen wore a dark suit. He weighed about 150 pounds.

BUSINESS RIVALRY IN LOUISIANA.

Two Firms in St. James's Parish, Threatened with Lynch Law, Ask Protection.

NEW ORLEANS, July 1.—Gus Walli & Co. and Stein, Dressner & Co., merchants doing business in St. James's parish, Louisiana, have

ness in the neighboring parish of St. James have appealed to the Austrian Consul, New Orleans, for protection. The two firms have lately received notices to leave St. James within ten days or they would be lynched and their stores burned. It is ve-

A largely unattended meeting of citizens of St. James was held at Lutheran today. Sher-

Small assistance, with arms if necessary, defend members of the two threatened firms. The meeting included nearly all the citizens of Litcher, where the big lumber mills are situated, and of Connersville, the seat of one of the big sawmills in the section, southeast of Indianapolis. New York capitalists, owners of the lumber mills, stood apart, and

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